

# Lake Park Villager

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#### **GOVERNMENT CALENDAR**

Village government meetings and elections are held at the Town Hall Community Center and are open to the public.

Aug 25 7:00p 5-Year Plan Committee Meeting Sep 5 Labor Day: Village Office Closed

Sep 13 7:00p Village Council Meeting

Sep 15 6:30p Economic Develop. Commission Meeting

Sep 20 7:00p Planning Board Meeting

Sep 26 6:30p Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting

#### COMMUNITY CALENDAR

LAKE PARK PUBLIC PARKS OPEN AT DAWN, CLOSE AT DUSK

#### LAKE PARK TENNIS COURTS LIMIT USE TO 1 HOUR - ALL USERS

LAST DAY OPEN: LABOR DAY SEP 5 ◆ Fri 9/2: 4-8pm ◆ Sat+Mon 9/3+5:10am-8pm ◆ Sun 9/4: 12n-8pm

CHILDREN OF FAITH PRESCHOOL 9AM-1PM 1-5 YRS Now registering for fall 2016 704-882-5583

CHILDRENS' LIGHTHOUSE LEARNING CENTER 6 WKS - 12 YRS Now registering for fall 2016 6:30am-6:30pm 704-882-1100

My First School & Daycare 9AM-1PM 704-882-9386 Now registering for fall 2016 2 to 4 Yrs

MISS DEE DEE'S AFTER SCHOOL 2-6PM 704-882-9386 Now registering for fall 2016 MIDDLE SCHOOL TO 14 YRS

**LAKE PARK SINGLES** AGES 45+ WELCOME

## **LAKE PARK HOMEOWNER ASSOCIATION**

SEP 1 7 PM HOA BOARD MEETING COMMUNITY CENTER/TOWN HALL

**SAGES EVENTS** COMMUNITY CENTER/TOWN HALL SEP 5 1:00 PM CARD GAMES 704-882-6906 SEP 9 5:00 PM COMMUNITY CENTER INDOOR PICNIC 704-882-2005 704-882-6906 SEP 19 11:15 PM LUNCH & CARD GAMES

BOOK CLUB 'THE NIGHTENGALE' BY KRISTIN HANNAH

SEP 8 7 PM COMMUNITY CENTER/TOWN HALL

GARDEN CLUB 'PLANT PROPAGATION' BY TOM CAIG

SEP 19 7 PM COMMUNITY CENTER/TOWN HALL

**VILLAGER NEWSLETTER** IN HOME MAILBOX TUBES BY SEP 27 SEP 16 NEWS DEADLINE E-MAIL SANDY.COUGHLIN@LAKEPARKNC.GOV

FALL FESTIVAL 2016

SPONSORED BY HOA TOWN CENTER GAZEBO PARK OCT 15 10 AM - 5 PM



SEP 1 7 PM







COMMUNITY CENTER/TOWN HALL



# 2016 Village Tax Bills

2016 Village of Lake Park tax bills were mailed August 15th to residents who do not escrow their taxes with their mortgages. If you did not receive a tax bill, and you have paid off your mortgage, refinanced your mortgage, are new to Lake Park, or do not escrow your Village of Lake Park taxes, your property will owe tax, so please contact the Village Office now. Taxes are due Sept 1, 2016. Unpaid taxes become delinquent Jan 5, 2017.

# 'Schools In' - Children Safety

Motorist alertness is vital as excited children are waiting for their school buses. Always come to a complete stop when school bus lights are flashing, even when the bus is not in your lane. It's the law. Allow extra time for heavier traffic on Lake Park Road at Frost Court: 400 Matthews Charter students are now at the Academy.

#### Lake Park Garden Club

Co-Presidents, Pam Jack and Pat Moore welcome all residents to Garden Club's first fall meeting September 19, 7pm, at the Community Center. In its 16th year, the club will offer learning opportunities, a Christmas Tea fund-raiser, and garden tours. Info: Pam 704-882-0461 or Pat 704-893-2012.

## **Sept 15 Alzheimer's Day**

Village Council approved a Resolution for Alzheimer Awareness Day in support of agencies and companies in Union County who are organizing events Sept 15 with a purple theme. If you see, or wish to wear, something purple that day, a shirt, a ribbon, a hat, it's one of many ways to support awareness of a disease that challenges many families. Lake Park Nursing & Rehabilitation Center is a participating sponsor.

## Fall Festival 2016

It's not too soon for vendors to place their reservations (9/30/16 is the deadline) and for resident volunteers to get in touch with the HOA board. See www.lakeparknc.com for vendor application forms. Email lakeparkhoaevents@yahoo.com for questions and to get on the volunteer list.

# **Leash & Pickup after Pets**

Lake Park's Animal Control Ordinance provides guidance to avoid citations and fines. Violations include walking pets in public without a leash and failing to

#### Lake Park Village Government Call List

Website: www.lakeparknc.gov

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Fabian Szarko - Council (704) 628-6988 fabian.szarko@lakeparknc.gov

Cheri Clark - Clerk/Tax Collector/Village Administrator (704) 882-8657 cheri.clark@lakeparknc.gov

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**Cheryl Bennett, Finance Officer** (704) 882-8657 cheryl.bennett@lakeparknc.gov

Ken Swain, Village Attorney (704) 882-8657 cheri.clark@lakeparknc.gov

Deputy Leslie Brett & Deputy Dana Rucker

Call 911 to report emergency or any suspicious behavior. For non-emergency: (704) 289-1591 officer@lakeparknc.gov

#### **EDC: Economic Development**

- Grand Opening: Painting the Park is a new business opening at 6128 Creft Circle. Enjoy games, prizes and food while you check out this 'paint-and-sip' entertainment at the Grand Opening, Sept 1, 5p-8pm. Painting the Park offers "fun and interactive painting for parties and classes" with day or evening sessions. Register at www.paintingthepark.com for the first week's events for children 7 and up, and teens/adults 16 and up. Child care fun room is available while parents paint. Adults and children bring their own beverages. Guest artist Carolyn Walls Laudati is featured Sept 15, 7-9pm.
- Construction Progress: Lake Park Nursing & Rehabilitation Center has already begun the second phase of a complete 3-phase building construction project. In the first phase the secure dementia unit restoration and renovation is now complete, and work began in the long term care area and the main entrance canopy. Administrator Kimberly Snyder and Marketing Manager Tonie Courtney are planning two grand openings, one for industry professionals and another for the public. Dates will be announced in the near future.
- Fall Registration: The new Union Prep Academy on Younts Road is on Miss Dee Dee's After School bus route. My First School, Children of Faith Preschool, and Children's Lighthouse Learning Center, are filling up their classes for September. Please contact by phone or email (they all have sites on the internet) to assure there is space available and submit registration applications promptly. Ages and programs vary from school to school.

#### P&RC: Parks & Recreation

- Tennis & Basketball Courts will be renovated in September. Quality Seal Coating & Sport Surfaces have the contract for this project which is covered by the village budget for park maintenance.
- Sidewalk Repairs, as announced in the August Villager, will be completed by September 2, weather permitting.

remove pet feces. For any questions or concerns, refer to the ordinance at www.lakeparknc.gov or stop by the Town Hall/Community Center for a copy. Compliance is appreciated by both pet owners and their neighbors.

#### GOTR Coaches Needed

Girls On The Run needs adults with a passion for a healthy lifestyle to coach girls for two 1-hr practices per week from Sept 19 - Dec 3. Training, curriculum and materials are provided and coaches' daughters are guaranteed a spot. Contact Bonnie Grote, Union Council Director: bonnie@girlsontherununion.org.

# Toy Drive Sep 26 - Dec 6

Lake Park will host a Toy Drive in the Village for the Union County Christmas Bureau and the U.S. Marine Corps Toys for Tots Program from Sept 26 - Dec 6th. These programs provide Christmas each year to about 2800 children, from infants to teenagers. Without your generosity, they would have nothing to look forward to on Christmas morning.

Toys need to be new and unwrapped and can be left at the donation barrel in the Community Center. Ideas for teens include gift cards, books, backpacks, hair accessories, board games, skateboards, footballs and basketballs. For check or gift card donations, envelopes and a lock box will be available at the Community Center during regular business hours: Mon 9-6, Tue-Fri 9-noon. Contacts are vickicleveland@carolina.rr.com, angiefigiel@yahoo.com.

#### **Keep Down False Alarms**

It can be done! Thank you to all who did not set off a careless alarm last month. We aren't at 'zero' yet, but we got down to 7 false alarm calls in July. Our emergency responders really appreciate the extra effort.

# **National Night Out**

Storm showers were no obstacle to nearly 150 adults and children who convened in Town Center Gazebo Park to dance in the rain with Homer, the Charlotte Knights dragon mascot and McGruff, the Crime Dog, who had come to party with them. Thank you to all the volunteers, to participation by the Union County Sheriff's Office, the Hemby Bridge Fire Department and the Union County EMS. Pastor Paige Miller gave the invocation. Papa Murphy's and Texas Roadhouse provided refreshments; DJ Henry McGee played music. A Kids' Fire Safety House, Mobile Command Center and CPR Training offered various educational highlights.



#### 🚺 Reduce, Reuse, Recycle 🚺



Cardboard cartons: Remove all packing material and flatten cartons before setting in the recycle cart or bin. Styrofoam in any form (molded or pellets) is NOT recyclable. Bag pellets and put in the green cart.

Pickup Days: Thu 8/25, 9/1, 9/15, 9/22 & 9/30 LABOR DAY WEEK: Fri 9/9, (1 day holiday delay)

Furniture & Bulk Items: ANY pickup day.